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L1	56175 S EBV OR EPSTEIN BARR VIRUS
L2	297067 S ASSAY AND DETECT?
L3	2347 S L1 AND L2
L4	113164 S LUPUS OR SLE OR SYSTEMIC LUPUS ERYTHEMATOSUS
L5	42 S L3 AND L4
L6	20 DUP REM L5 (22 DUPLICATES REMOVED)
L7	6221 S ASSAY(W) DETECT?
L8	67 S L1 AND L7
L9	37 DUP REM L8 (30 DUPLICATES REMOVED)

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L6 ANSWER 12 OF 20 EMBASE COPYRIGHT 2002 ELSEVIER SCI. B.V.  
ACCESSION NUMBER: 1998015182 EMBASE  
TITLE: An increased prevalence of **Epstein-Barr virus** infection in young patients suggests a possible etiology for **systemic lupus erythematosus**.  
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SOURCE: Journal of Clinical Investigation, (1997) 100/12 (3019-3026).  
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AB An unknown environmental agent has been suspected to induce **systemic lupus erythematosus (lupus)** in man. Prompted by our recent immunochemical findings, we sought evidence for an association between **Epstein-Barr virus** infection and **lupus**. Because the vast majority of adults have been infected with **Epstein-Barr virus**, we chose to study children and young adults. Virtually all (116 of 117, or 99%) of these young patients had seroconverted against **Epstein-Barr virus**, as compared with only 70% (107 of 153) of their controls (odds ratio 49.9, 95% confidence interval 9.3-1025,  $P < 0.00000000001$ ). The difference in the rate of **Epstein-Barr virus** seroconversion could not be explained by serum IgG level or by cross-reacting anti-Sm/nRNP autoantibodies. No similar difference was found in the seroconversion rates against four other herpes viruses. An **assay** for Epstein-Barr viral DNA in peripheral blood lymphocytes established **Epstein-Barr virus** infection in the peripheral blood of all 32 of the **lupus** patients tested, while only 23 of the 32 matched controls were infected (odds ratio  $> 10$ , 95% confidence interval 2.53-.infin.,  $P < 0.002$ ). When considered with other evidence supporting a relationship between **Epstein-Barr virus** and **lupus**, these data are consistent with, but do not in themselves establish, **Epstein-Barr virus** infection as an etiologic factor in **lupus**.

L6 ANSWER 1 OF 20 MEDLINE DUPLICATE 1  
 ACCESSION NUMBER: 2002185361 MEDLINE  
 DOCUMENT NUMBER: 21916414 PubMed ID: 11920408  
 TITLE: Autoantibody to hLSm4 and the heptameric LSm complex in anti-Sm sera.  
 AUTHOR: Eystathioy Theophany; Peebles Carol L; Hamel John C; Vaughn John H; Chan Edward K L  
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 CONTRACT NUMBER: M01-RR-00833 (NCRR)  
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AB OBJECTIVE: To characterize the 15-kd human SmD-like autoantigen and its associated proteins previously shown to be recognized by IgM antibodies in patients with **Epstein-Barr virus (EBV)**-induced infectious mononucleosis. METHODS: The full-length complementary DNA for the 15-kd protein was expressed as recombinant protein and analyzed for reactivity using biochemical analysis and immunoprecipitation (IP). RESULTS: The 15-kd protein was determined to be the human like-Sm protein LSm4 (hLSm4). Rabbit antibody raised against the C-terminal polypeptide immunoprecipitated a 68-kd complex composed of LSm4 together with a group of smaller proteins ranging in size from 6.5 to 14 kd, consistent with the reported heptameric LSm complexes involved in U4/U6 duplex formation and messenger RNA (mRNA) decapping/degradation. About 80% of all anti-Sm sera from patients with **systemic lupus erythematosus (SLE)** recognized the hLSm4 in vitro translated product, while 6.7% (29 of 434) immunoprecipitated from cell extracts hLSm4 together with the other members of the hLSm complex. Four sera (0.92%) showed apparently exclusive reactivity to the hLSm complex in the absence of reactivity to Sm core proteins in the IP **assay**. CONCLUSION: These findings document that while IgM, but not IgG, autoantibodies to LSm4 were found in sera from patients with **EBV** infection, IgG autoantibodies to hLSm4 are **detected** in a large number of anti-Sm-positive sera from patients with **SLE**. Importantly, in a small number of anti-Sm sera the LSm complex can be recognized independently of the Sm core protein antigens. Our data introduce the concept that "Sm" autoantigens include Sm as well as LSm complexes involved in the maturation and degradation of mRNA.

L6 ANSWER 4 OF 20

MEDLINE

DUPLICATE 3

ACCESSION NUMBER: 2002006445 MEDLINE  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 21128762 PubMed ID: 11224832  
TITLE: **Epstein-Barr virus** burden in adolescents with **systemic lupus erythematosus**.  
AUTHOR: Katz B Z; Salimi B; Kim S; Nsiah-Kumi P; Wagner-Weiner L  
CORPORATE SOURCE: Children's Memorial Hospital, Division of Infectious Diseases, Chicago, IL, USA.  
SOURCE: PEDIATRIC INFECTIOUS DISEASE JOURNAL, (2001 Feb) 20 (2) 148-53.  
Journal code: 8701858. ISSN: 0891-3668.  
PUB. COUNTRY: United States  
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AB OBJECTIVE: We sought to determine whether patients with **systemic lupus erythematosus (SLE)** and a presumed primary or reactivated **Epstein-Barr virus (EBV)** serologic response had evidence of an active **EBV** infection. BACKGROUND: Patients with **SLE** often have what appears to be a primary or reactivated **EBV** serologic response. If these patients then present with fever, fatigue, adenopathy or leukopenia, it is not clear whether these symptoms are caused by worsening **SLE** or **EBV** infection. Establishing the correct diagnosis is crucial for management. METHODS: We examined the **EBV** burden in 13 adolescents with **SLE** and a presumed primary or reactivated **EBV** serologic response. All were taking prednisone; 2 each were also on azathioprine or intravenous pulse cyclophosphamide. **EBV** serologies were performed for all, and **EBV** burdens were assessed via immortalization **assays** and **EBV** DNA amplification of blood and saliva at least once. RESULTS: Seven patients had serologic patterns indicative of a primary **EBV** infection, while six had serologies indicative of a reactivated (secondary) **EBV** infection. Two of the latter were the only ones in whom a small amount of biologically active **EBV** was **detected**. CONCLUSION: In our series active **EBV** infection was not seen in most patients, despite serologic data that could be interpreted as a primary or reactivated infection. Thus the serologic profiles were more likely a consequence of immune dysregulation secondary to **SLE** or its therapy rather than rampant infection with **EBV**.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2001167503 EMBASE

TITLE: Anti-insulin antibodies and the natural autoimmune response  
in **systemic lupus erythematosus**

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SUMMARY LANGUAGE: English

AB **Systemic lupus erythematosus (SLE)**

is characterized by the finding of ample serum autoantibodies. The role and the origin of many of these antibodies are still obscure. The aim of this work was to study the occurrence of anti-insulin antibodies (AIA) in **SLE**, and to postulate, based on AIA determination, on the mechanisms involved in the production of some autoantibodies in **SLE**. IgG and IgM AIA, anti-DNA antibodies (ADA) and anti-tetanus toxoid antibodies (ATA) were determined using ELISA in sera and B-lymphocytes culture media of 24 **SLE** patients, 10 healthy controls and 19 insulin-dependent diabetes mellitus (IDDM) patients. B- and T-lymphocytes were isolated using Ficoll gradient, depleted of T-cells using cyclosporin A, **EBV** infected and grown in medium. The frequencies of IgM-AIA and IgG-ADA were higher in **SLE** patients than in healthy controls ( $P < 0.02$  and  $P < 0.05$ , respectively). The rate of IgM-AIA in **SLE** and IDDM was comparable, while IgG-AIA was significantly less common in **SLE** than in IDDM ( $P < 0.05$ ). The prevalence of ATA in **SLE** patients and healthy controls was similar. These findings increase the spectrum of the humoral autoimmune response in **SLE** and suggest that part of it (natural autoantibodies) is independent of antigen driven response.

L6 ANSWER 15 OF 20

MEDLINE

DUPLICATE 11

ACCESSION NUMBER: 93282876 MEDLINE

DOCUMENT NUMBER: 93282876 PubMed ID: 8389553

TITLE: Spontaneous production of **Epstein-Barr virus** by B lymphoblastoid cell lines obtained from patients with Sjogren's syndrome. Possible involvement of a novel strain of **Epstein-Barr virus** in disease pathogenesis.

AUTHOR: Tateishi M; Saito I; Yamamoto K; Miyasaka N

CORPORATE SOURCE: First Department of Medicine, Tokyo Medical and Dental University, Japan.

SOURCE: ARTHRITIS AND RHEUMATISM, (1993 Jun) 36 (6) 827-35.

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AB OBJECTIVE. To investigate the involvement of **Epstein-**

**Barr virus (EBV)** in the pathogenesis of

Sjogren's syndrome (SS) and to examine whether the spontaneous production of **EBV** is unique to SS B cell lines. METHODS. B cell lines were established from peripheral blood mononuclear cells (PBMC) of patients with **systemic lupus erythematosus**,

rheumatoid arthritis, and SS. The cord blood immortalization **assay**, flow cytometric analysis, and polymerase chain reaction (PCR) were used to **detect EBV** production by B cell lines. RESULTS. SS

B cell lines produced **EBV** at a higher frequency, and in significantly larger amounts, than did other B cell lines. However, no correlation with the amount of **EBV** DNA in the genome of B cell lines was found. PCR analysis revealed that **EBV** with a

B95-8--like U2 region was dominant in SS B cell lines. CONCLUSION.

Spontaneous, massive production of **EBV** by B cell lines is unique to SS, and may contribute to the polyclonal B cell activation seen in this disease.

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DOCUMENT NUMBER: 88081106 PubMed ID: 2826058

TITLE: **Epstein-Barr virus**  
transformed B cell lines derived from patients with  
**systemic lupus erythematosus**  
produce a nephritic factor of the classical complement  
pathway.

AUTHOR: Hiramatsu M; Tsokos G C

CORPORATE SOURCE: Kidney Disease Section, National Institute of Diabetes and  
Digestive and Kidney Diseases, Bethesda, Maryland 20892.SOURCE: CLINICAL IMMUNOLOGY AND IMMUNOPATHOLOGY, (1988 Jan) 46 (1)  
91-9.

Journal code: 0356637. ISSN: 0090-1229.

PUB. COUNTRY: United States

DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal; Article; (JOURNAL ARTICLE)

LANGUAGE: English

FILE SEGMENT: Priority Journals

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AB Nephritic factor of the classical complement pathway (C4NeF) is an IgG antibody which stabilizes the C3 convertase (C4b2a) and has been **detected** in sera from patients with **systemic lupus erythematosus (SLE)** and acute postinfectious glomerulonephritis. In order to study the production of nephritic factor (NeF), mononuclear cells were isolated from the peripheral blood of patients with **SLE** and infected with **Epstein-Barr virus (EBV)** to establish active B lymphocyte cell lines. Supernatants from 15 established B cell lines, as well as from 10 B cell lines established from normal individuals, were investigated for their ability to conserve the classical and the alternative pathway C3 convertases as assessed by EAC3bBb and EAC14b2a stabilizing **assays**. Supernatants from 2 of 15 B cell lines from patients with **SLE**, but none from normal individuals, stabilized the classical C3 convertase without having any effect on the alternative pathway C3 convertase. Using anti-human Ig affinity chromatography, we showed that C4NeF activity resided in the IgG fraction; the IgG fraction containing C4NeF activity bound to the C4b2a complex, but not to C4b alone. On gel electrophoresis, following reduction, the heavy chains were slightly heavier than the heavy chains of normal IgG. We were able to isolate C4NeF from the sera of the 2 patients with **SLE** from whom the positive supernatants were derived, but were unable to **detect** any C4NeF activity in the sera of the other 13 patients and the 10 normal individuals. Serum and B cell line supernatant-derived C4NeF exhibited comparable characteristics. We conclude that C4NeF produced in vitro by **EBV**-transformed B cell lines derived from patients with **SLE** is functionally similar to the conventional C4NeF in serum. These studies confirm the production of autoantibodies by B cells with the ability to stabilize the classical pathway C3 convertase in certain patients with **SLE**; stabilization of the C4b2a enzyme in these patients is an apparent mechanism for the development of hypocomplementemia. Finally, preparation of homogeneous C4NeF in vitro should improve our understanding of the role of autoantibodies in complement metabolic disturbances in autoimmune diseases.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 79199099 EMBASE

DOCUMENT NUMBER: 1979199099

TITLE: Detection of the **Epstein-Barr virus**-associated antigens EA (early antigen) and VCA (Viral capsid antigen) by direct or indirect binding of iodinated antibodies to antigen immobilized in polyacrylamide gel.

AUTHOR: Dolken G.; Moar M.H.; Klein G.

CORPORATE SOURCE: Dept. Tum. Biol., Karolinska Inst., S-104 01 Stockholm 60, Sweden

SOURCE: European Journal of Cancer and Clinical Oncology, (1979) 15/5 (821-824).

CODEN: EJCAAH

COUNTRY: United Kingdom

DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal

FILE SEGMENT: 016 Cancer  
047 Virology  
026 Immunology, Serology and Transplantation  
011 Otorhinolaryngology  
023 Nuclear Medicine

LANGUAGE: English

AB Immunofluorescence has been widely used as a qualitative technique, but this method is quite unsuitable for quantitation in a biochemical study of these antigens. Radioimmunoassays using antigen immobilized in polyacrylamide gel and iodinated antibodies were already developed for MA and EBNA. This paper describes an **assay detecting** also EA and/or VCA in the presence of EBNA.



L6 ANSWER 11 OF 20 MEDLINE DUPLICATE 8

ACCESSION NUMBER: 1998308611 MEDLINE

DOCUMENT NUMBER: 98308611 PubMed ID: 9644741

TITLE: [Significance of antibodies to herpesviridae viruses **detectable** in rheumatic diseases].  
Zhachenie vyivliaemykh pri revmaticheskikh zabolevaniyakh antitel k virusam semeistva herpesviridae].

AUTHOR: Egorova O N; Balabanova R M; Chuvirov G N

SOURCE: TERAPEVTICHESKII ARKHIV, (1998) 70 (5) 41-5.  
Journal code: 2984818R. ISSN: 0040-3660.

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LANGUAGE: Russian

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AB AIM: To **assay** antibodies to cytomegalovirus (CMV), herpes simplex virus type 1 and 2 (HSV-1, HSV-2) and **Epstein-Barr virus (EBV)** in rheumatic patients and to clarify clinical correlations. MATERIALS AND METHODS: A total of 66 patients were examined: 7, 19, 6, 3, 5, 2 and 24 with rheumatoid arthritis (RA), **systemic lupus erythematosus (SLE)**, reactive arthritis (ReA), scleroderma systematica (SS), erythema nodosum (EN), hemorrhagic vasculitis (HV), active or chronic viral infection (A/CVI), respectively. Clinical, laboratory tests, tests for specific IgM- and IgG-antibodies to CMV, HSV-1, HSV-2, **EBV**, x-ray examinations were performed. RESULTS: IgG-antibodies to CMV were **detected** in 79%, VCA-IgG-antibodies to **EBV** in 70.3%, EA-IgG-antibodies to **EBV** in 56.6%, IgG-antibodies to HSV-1 in 42.1% of patients. Active CMV infection was diagnosed in 27.8%, active **EBV** infection in 56.6%, combination of CMV and **EBV** infection in 46.9% of cases. High titers of antibodies to CMV and **EBV** correlated with such symptoms as fever, arthritis, myalgia, carditis, hepatomegalia, migrating erythematous eruption. Acute-phase indices were related to high titers of antibodies to CMV and **EBV**. Elevated titers of antibodies to CMV and **EBV** were registered both in untreated patients and in patients treated with corticosteroids, nonsteroid antiinflammatory drugs and aminoquinoline drugs. CONCLUSION: In differential diagnosis of rheumatic diseases it is necessary to consider possibility of CMV and **EBV** infections. If these are **detected**, antiviral measures should be taken.

L6 ANSWER 9 OF 20 MEDLINE DUPLICATE 7

ACCESSION NUMBER: 1999327433 MEDLINE  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 99327433 PubMed ID: 10399234  
TITLE: [The significance of determining antibodies to viruses of  
the Herpesviridae family in rheumatic diseases].  
Znachenie opredeleniia antitel k virusam semeistva  
Herpesviridae pri revmaticheskikh zabolevaniiah.  
AUTHOR: Egorova O N; Balabanova R M; Chuvirov G N  
SOURCE: TERAPEVTICHESKII ARKHIV, (1999) 71 (5) 57-61.  
Journal code: 2984818R. ISSN: 0040-3660.  
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Entered Medline: 19990728

AB AIM: **Assay** of antibodies to cytomegalovirus (CMV), herpes  
simplex virus type 1 and 2 (HSV-1 and HSV-2) and **Epstein-**  
**Barr virus (EBV)** in rheumatic patients.  
Specification of their correlations with clinical symptoms. MATERIALS AND  
METHODS: 66 rheumatic patients were examined for the above antibodies. The  
admission diagnosis of rheumatic disease (RD) was confirmed in 42 of them.  
24 were diagnosed to have active or chronic viral infection (A/CVI)  
simulating **systemic lupus erythematosus (**  
**SLE)**, rheumatoid arthritis (RA) and other RD. RESULTS:  
IgG-antibodies to CMV and VCA-IgG to **EBV** were **detected**  
in 79 and 70.3% of the examinees, respectively. In **SLE** more  
frequent were IgM-antibodies to CMV (78.9%), in RA-IgM-antibodies to CMV  
(85.7%) and IgG-antibodies to **EBV** (85.7%) while in A/CVI--to CMV  
(IgM--86.4%), **EBV** (IgG--80%; IgM--73.7%), HSV-1 (IgM--57.1%).  
Analysis of clinical correlations indicated that high titers to CMV and to  
**EBV** are related in RD patients. CONCLUSION: It is necessary to  
examine rheumatic patients for antibodies to Herpesviridae viruses and  
prescribe antiviral drugs.

L6 ANSWER 7 OF 20 MEDLINE DUPLICATE 5

ACCESSION NUMBER: 2000143514 MEDLINE

DOCUMENT NUMBER: 20143514 PubMed ID: 10677247

TITLE: Histone-containing immune complexes are to a large extent responsible for anti-dsDNA reactivity in the Farr **assay** of active **SLE** patients.

AUTHOR: Hylkema M N; van Bruggen M C; ten Hove T; de Jong J; Swaak A J; Berden J H; Smeenk R J

CORPORATE SOURCE: Department of Autoimmune Diseases, CLB, Amsterdam, The Netherlands.

SOURCE: JOURNAL OF AUTOIMMUNITY, (2000 Mar) 14 (2) 159-68.  
Journal code: 8812164. ISSN: 0896-8411.

PUB. COUNTRY: ENGLAND: United Kingdom

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AB Increased titres of anti-dsDNA antibodies, especially if of high avidity, are associated with renal exacerbations in patients with **systemic lupus erythematosus (SLE)**. One of the most reliable **assays** to measure anti-dsDNA antibodies, the Farr **assay**, is believed to **detect** preferentially high avidity antibodies. Purified non-complexed monoclonal antibodies (mAbs) against nucleosomes, obtained from mice with **SLE**, are not reactive in the Farr **assay**, but can become so once complexed to nucleosomes. These Farr-positive, nucleosome containing, immune complexes were also able to bind in vivo to the glomerular basement membrane (GBM), predominantly via heparan sulphate (HS). To evaluate whether in **SLE** patients the same kind of immune complexes are responsible for Farr reactivity, IgG from serum or plasma was isolated under dissociating and physiological conditions. We observed that after purification under dissociating conditions, Farr reactivity was significantly decreased ( $P < 0.0001$ ) in contrast to reactivity with histones and two 'control' antigens: **Epstein Barr Virus (EBV)** and Ro/SS-A. Reactivity with nucleosomes also decreased after purification, although to a lesser extent. Plasma purified under physiological conditions showed no decrease in Farr reactivity. The importance of histones for the generation of immune complexes is supported by the two following observations. Firstly, the presence of histones could be demonstrated in serum and plasma of **SLE** patients but not in serum of healthy controls or in IgG preparations purified under dissociating conditions. Secondly, Farr reactivity of purified IgG preparations could be restored by addition of purified histones. From these studies we conclude that histones containing immune complexes are responsible for a large part of the Farr reactivity in active **SLE**, and are therefore indirectly implicated in the pathogenesis of **lupus nephritis**.  
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DOCUMENT NUMBER: 92190431  
TITLE: Transient lupus anticoagulant induced by **Epstein-Barr virus** infection.  
AUTHOR: Yamazaki M; Asakura H; Kawamura Y; Ohka T; Endo M; Matsuda T  
CORPORATE SOURCE: Department of Internal Medicine (III), Kanazawa University School of Medicine, Japan.  
SOURCE: BLOOD COAGULATION AND FIBRINOLYSIS, (1991 Dec) 2 (6) 771-4.  
PUB. COUNTRY: ENGLAND: United Kingdom  
LANGUAGE: English  
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AB A 25-year-old woman presented with an episode of left calf deep vein thrombosis and pulmonary thrombosis. She was found to have a lupus anticoagulant with anticardiolipin **antibodies**, some **autoimmune antibodies** and **antibodies** for primary Epstein-Barr (EB) virus infection. Six months later, lupus anticoagulant and other **autoimmune antibodies** were found to be negative and EB virus **antibodies** were shown to be seroconverted. We suggest that the transient presence of lupus anticoagulant was due to EB virus infection caused by activation of polyclonal B-lymphocytes.

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AN 86620257 CANCERLIT  
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TI MAPPING THE ANTIGENIC REGIONS OF EPSTEIN-BARR NUCLEAR ANTIGEN USING  
SYNTHETIC PEPTIDES.  
AU Rhodes G; Houghten R A; Carson D A; Valbracht J; Vaughan J H  
CS Scripps Clinic and Research Foundation, La Jolla, CA 92037.  
SO UCLA Symp Mol Cell Biol, (1984). New Ser 21, pp. 487-96.  
DT (MEETING PAPER)  
FS ICDB  
LA English  
EM 198604  
AB The viral DNA encoding for the Epstein-Barr nuclear antigen (**EBNA**) contains a repeating sequence that is expressed as a run of over 200 amino acids consisting only of glycine and alanine. The authors synthesized nine peptides from the middle, ends, and outside of this repeating region of the protein; six of these peptides were used to detect antibodies to **EBNA** in human sera. Antipeptide activities of specimens of human sera were measured with the aid of an enzyme-linked assay in microtiter plates. No sera of 27 individuals who were Epstein-Barr viral capsid antigen (VCA) negative reacted against any of six peptides used in the assay; in contrast, all VCA+ samples reacted with the peptides, the highest recognition generally occurring with the peptides containing all glycine and alanine. IgG antibody titers to the peptides in patients with acute and convalescent mononucleosis rose in conjunction with those directed against **EBNA**. When tested at a dilution of 1/320, sera of rheumatoid arthritis patients had antibody levels higher than those for normal subjects, for every peptide tested; systemic **lupus** erythematosus patients had an average titer higher than that for normal subjects, only for the glycine-alanine-containing peptides. Antibody titers of sera from Sjorgren syndrome and progressive systemic sclerosis patients had titers that did not differ from those of normal subjects. Sera with high titers to **EBNA** recognized some of the peptide sequences better than others; this finding implies that human antibodies to **EBNA** are directed at selected portions of the protein. Further studies of peptides should provide a method of mapping the antigenic determinants. (12 Refs)

ACCESSION NUMBER: 97104028 EMBASE  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 1997104028  
TITLE: Immunoblotting reactivity of sera from patients with  
**autoimmune** connective tissue diseases against  
Epstein-Barr nuclear antigen (EBNA) polypeptides.  
AUTHOR: Ngou J.; Segondy M.  
CORPORATE SOURCE: M. Segondy, Laboratoire de Virologie, Hopital Saint-Eloi,  
Centre Hospitalier Universitaire, 34295 Montpellier Cedex  
5, France  
SOURCE: Serodiagnosis and Immunotherapy in Infectious Disease,  
(1996) 8/2 (105-108).  
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ISSN: 0888-0786 CODEN: SIIDE3  
PUBLISHER IDENT.: S 0888-0786(96)01059-1  
COUNTRY: Netherlands  
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AB The **antibody** responses to Epstein-Barr nuclear antigen (EBNA)  
polypeptides were analyzed by immunoblotting in 93 patients with  
**autoimmune** connective tissue diseases (ACTD) in comparison with 50  
clinically healthy control subjects. **Antibody** frequencies to  
EBNA-2, -4, and -6 were significantly higher in patients than in  
controls.  
Among the patients with ACTD, those with systemic lupus erythematosus  
(SLE) showed a significant increase in the frequency of anti-EBNA-3  
**antibodies**. These results confirm the particularity of the  
**antibody** responses against **Epstein-Barr**  
**virus** (EBV) polypeptides in patients with ACTD; they could either  
reflect basic immune disturbances or suggest a participation of EBV in  
the  
pathogenesis of the disease.

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 ACCESSION NUMBER: 87216595 MEDLINE  
 DOCUMENT NUMBER: 87216595  
 TITLE: Expression of a germline human kappa chain-associated  
                   **cross-reactive** idiotype after in vitro  
                   and in vivo infection with Epstein-Barr **virus**.  
 AUTHOR: Silverman G J; Carson D A; Patrick K; Vaughan J H; Fong S  
 CONTRACT NUMBER: AG 04100 (NIA)  
                   AM 25443 (NIADDK)  
                   AM 21175 (NIADDK)  
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 SOURCE: CLINICAL IMMUNOLOGY AND IMMUNOPATHOLOGY, (1987 Jun) 43 (3)  
           403-11.  
           Journal code: DEA. ISSN: 0090-1229.  
 PUB. COUNTRY: United States  
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 LANGUAGE: English  
 FILE SEGMENT: Priority Journals; Cancer Journals  
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 AB The mouse monoclonal **antibody** 17.109 recognizes a **cross**  
       **-reactive** idiotype (CRI) associated with kappa IIIb light chains  
       of human IgM-rheumatoid factor (RF) paraproteins. The 17.109 idiotypic  
       determinant is encoded by one or a group of closely related V kappa  
       genes.  
       The association of the idiotype with IgM- and IgA-rheumatoid factors in  
       certain **autoimmune diseases** necessitates an  
       understanding of how human B lymphocytes can be induced to express the  
       idiotype. To investigate the cellular expression of the 17.109 CRI,  
       peripheral blood lymphocytes from normal donors were stimulated in vitro  
       with Epstein-Barr **virus** (EBV) and pokeweed mitogen (PWM). EBV  
       induced greater expression of IgM-associated 17.109 CRI than did PWM. The  
       17.109 CRI was preferentially associated with IgM rather than with IgG.  
 In vivo EBV infection was studied in college students with infectious  
       mononucleosis and displayed similar elevation of IgM-associated 17.109  
 CRI in sera obtained at presentation of clinical illness. Later, IgM levels  
       declined while IgG-associated 17.109 CRI rose. The 17.109 idiotype was  
       **unrelated** to **antibodies** against the Epstein-Barr  
       **virus** nuclear antigen and the **viral** capsid antigen and  
       was probably due to generalized activation of early B cells. These  
       observations support the hypothesis that the 17.109 CRI is expressed by  
 in vitro and in vivo EBV-infected cells. The 17.109 idiotype identifies a  
       highly conserved V kappa gene product, which is expressed preferentially  
       after EBV infection, but not exclusively with RF autoantibodies.

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form (sCD23, IgE-binding factor) have multiple functions, and enhanced  
levels of these are associated with various immunological diseases. We  
established two sensitive ELISA systems using enzyme-conjugated mAb and  
biotinylated mAb. The detection limits of the ELISA systems were 0.03 and  
1.0 ng/ml, which showed good correlation in the range 1.0-10 ng/ml. In  
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ELISA system using enzyme-conjugated mAb, the average sCD23 concentration  
in 303 normal healthy volunteers was 1.4 +/- 0.3 ng/ml. In the ELISA  
system using biotinylated mAb, sCD23 levels in normal healthy volunteers  
showed almost the same values. In patients with **autoimmune**  
diseases such as rheumatoid arthritis, systemic lupus erythematosus,  
Sjogren syndrome, progressive systemic sclerosis, and mixed connective  
tissue disease, the sCD23 levels were significantly higher than those in  
normal individuals. Furthermore, in **Epstein-Barr**  
**virus**-related disorders after liver transplantation with  
immunosuppression, plasma levels of sCD23 rapidly increased to more than  
12 ng/ml when clinical symptoms were evident. In addition, the sCD23  
values remained high, although elevated GOT levels gradually decreased to  
standard values and EBV hepatitis improved. These data suggest that sCD23  
levels are a sensitive marker of **autoimmune** diseases and  
EBV-related disorders in addition to allergic disorders. The ELISA system  
for sCD23 may be an additional **diagnostic** tool in estimating the  
clinical courses of these diseases.